GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3339
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HIRING OF PRIVATE TRUCKS MATADORS BY MOTHER DAIRY S F V PLANT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it was stipulated to hire only three years old vehicle in the Tender issued by Mother Dairy`s (F&V) for hiring private trucks/matadois;

(b) if so,the reasons for changing the tender norms;

(c) whether the transporters have been pressuring the officials of the plant to hire vehicle which are more than three years old; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) :

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Since the procurement vehicles bring perishable fruit and vegetables from distant places, it was stipulated only to hire vehicles less than three years old to strengthen the supply chain and reduce the breakdowns. However, no such condition has been laid down for local distribution/supply vehicles to retail outlets.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise in view of (c) above.